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GRAVE SITUATION IN INDONESIA

680 Perish When Ship Capsizes

DISASTER OFF BOMBAY
Bombay, July 18.
Nearly 700 passengers were reported to have perished on Thursday when a small coastal passenger ship, captained by "two enormous waves," sank in the monsoon swept Arabian Sea 11 miles south of Bombay.

C. A. Buch, general manager of the Bombay Steam Navigation Co., who assisted in the rescue work, said "not more than 15 to 20 persons have been saved." The survivors included 11 of the 39 crew members, including the captain.

The steamer Ramdas left Bombay on the morning of its regular daily run to the fishing village of Rewas, south of Bombay. Survivors said visibility was poor as the vessel neared Rewas Creek because of the lashing rain and that heavy swells were causing it to roll heavily.

SINKS IN 5 MINUTES

The swells increased and the vessel was "tossed like a piece of match wood," one of the survivors said, when suddenly, as the captain was attempting to enter Rewas Creek, about one mile from Rewas village, the two waves struck.

The Ramdas listed slowly to one side and sank within five minutes. Buch said that when the Ramdas left Bombay harbour, sea conditions were normal for the monsoon season. He added that the Ramdas ordinarily would have been able to weather monsoon conditions without difficulty.

Bombay port officials said the shores near Bombay harbour were littered with bodies and that two bodies had been picked up near the lighthouses at the Harbour entrance. —Associated Press.

Restless Paris Workers

Paris, July 17.
Police guards surrounding the National Assembly were smashed and some 300,000 Parisians gathered at 28 points in the city area for the expected march on Parliament.

The workers, who are demanding the continuation of reconstruction subsidies, also held big mass meetings at which delegations were received by the various Parliamentary groups in the lobbies of the Assembly.

The mass meetings, designed as "token protests" against a recent 40 per cent blocking of reconstruction subsidies, won off quietly with speeches by union leaders, and no immediate all-out strike of reconstruction workers was foreseen in informed labour circles. —Reuters.

Dutch Cabinet Awaits Reply To Its Ultimatum

Batavia, July 17.
Tension mounted hourly late Thursday night throughout Indonesia and Vice-Premier A. K. Gani indicated the gravity of the situation with a statement to the press that the Republic would appeal for arbitration if war begins.

Gani said the cabinet had discussed the possibility of an unbroken deadlock or an outbreak of war at Jogjakarta. He said in the event of either the Republic had one of the three choices.

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EARL FINED £1,150

London, July 18.
The seventh Earl of Warwick was fined £1,150 on Thursday after he pleaded guilty to cashing two cheques at Carnes, thus receiving Francs for Pounds in violation of British treasury regulations.

The prosecutor said the cheques were found in the possession of an unnamed American soldier who was discovered by the Swiss authorities to be trying to smuggle a large amount of currency and cheques from France to Switzerland.

"A man in your position ought to set an example to other people," the magistrate told the Earl. —Associated Press.

600 RATS ARE CAUGHT EVERY NIGHT IN HK

Health Authorities Waging Constant Battle Of Wits

BY DIXIE STANTON
Those loathsome grey creatures that give you shivers on Hongkong's streets late at night might cause more than shivers to run up and down the spines of Government officials if the Medical authorities failed to keep our rats under control.

Every night at least 600 rats are caught, and every day Government scientists comb the creatures and examine the fleas found on their bodies under microscopes. For rats are plague carriers, and the dread disease is spread by the bite of infected fleas living on rats which are suffering from plague.

Every day 800 traps are set to ensnare the wary pests, for, make no mistake, say the experts, rats are intelligent. Additional methods of destruction, such as poisons and gases, also are used in the never-ending battle to protect health and to maintain the Colony's record of 26 years without plague.

Rats caught alive by the government's 60 eradicators are killed with chloroform in batches of six to eight. Then scientists start examining the beasts for evidence of infection.

All rodents collected are searched and a flea count made, an important fact since 'Hongkong is in communication with five ports, have plague at present—Poochow, Wenchow, Amoy, Saigon, and Rangoon. Ships from these ports are examined in quarantine, and if any rats are found, no cargo may be unloaded until the vessel is fumigated.

The Colony has had no plague since 1921, largely as a result of the vigilant rat control and extermination programme. But almost every rat caught today is almost always one or more fleas which are potential plague-carriers.

"Rats are a real menace to health at all times," officials point out. "Apart from plague they spread several other diseases by their bite and by soiling food-stuffs or utensils with their excrement."

HONGKONG VULNERABLE
The battle to exterminate rats is carried on by the rodent control unit of the medical department. Sixty modern ratcatchers press the attack each day in Kowloon and Hongkong, under supervision of two senior eradicators.

Dr. J. D. Komor, who re-organised the rodent control unit after the Japanese surrender, is returning in August to resume charge of the work.

Two types of rats are found in the area, and both are notorious plague carriers. This means, the experts say, that "Hongkong would be a very vulnerable place should one infected rat gain admittance."

Authorities are proud of the record of no plague for 26 years, but

Bevin Denies He Is Trying To "Divide Europe"

POWERFUL SPEECH AT HASTINGS

Hastings, Sussex, July 17.
Mr Ernest Bevin, Foreign Secretary, today emphatically denied that he was trying to divide Europe "or any part of the world."

Speaking at the annual conference of the Transport and General Workers' Union, the world's largest trade union, Mr Bevin said that he had struggled for two solid years to put up with every frustration rather than to divide Europe.

"It was the great continent of Europe to come back and play its major part in the civilising of the world," he declared.

The great problems of the Far East are far away but had the same potential danger as those of Europe. The world had seen too much of war to want another, Mr Bevin declared, but the nations had to move with extra care and patience. They must go on looking for agreement.

TOO MUCH PATIENCE?
In a speech concerned mainly with Britain's domestic crisis, Mr Bevin said that the basic principles of his policy were not political at all. It is no good trying to unite the world if political unification is predominant in your mind.

"I will tell you why. The bitterness of the war has accentuated racial and national difficulties."

"I came to the conclusion that the bitterness, strife, the religious and racial persecution—first of all the claim of the Germans to be the superman and then, in victory triumph, the other fellow thinking he was the superman, and I do not say that in an offensive sense—has to take time to settle down and find its level."

Mr Bevin said that he was sometimes accused of having too much patience.

He said that while the improvement in output could not be regarded as adequate, it had been established that at least as much coal had been produced in the five-day week as produced in a six-day week last year.

Other points he made were that absenteeism, compared with last year, had declined since the introduction of the five-day week, although the figures for May were better than those for June. The output per man-shift had also increased, particularly since the introduction of the five-day week.

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Good Coal Production

London, July 17.
Britain's coal production for the first 28 weeks of this year was 135,534,000 tons, an increase of 477,000 tons on the same period of last year.

In the last ten weeks since the introduction of the five-day week, the output of deep-mines coal was 689,000 tons more than the corresponding period of last year.

Mr Emanuel Shinwell, Minister of Fuel, gave these figures in the House of Commons today during a debate on coal demanded by the Opposition.

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H.K. COUNCIL OF WOMEN

First Meeting Soon

An inaugural meeting of the Hongkong Council of Women will be held at the Duddell St. Y.W.C.A. on Thursday, Aug. 7, at 5.15 p.m., Mrs Hunter Brown, chairman, announced today.

Women's organisations in the Colony are invited to send delegates to the session.

The Council will be open to women of all nationalities, said Mrs Hunter Brown, who is a member of the International Council of Women and expects to attend that group's world conference in Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 8-16.

The Hongkong Council will seek affiliation with the international body, she added.

THE SPORTS CORNER

S. AFRICANS FIGHT HARD FOR RUNS

Derby, July 17.
South Africa, with the scoreboard showing 172 for nine wickets, are 52 runs behind with one wicket standing in their match against Derbyshire here.

Rain delayed a start until mid-afternoon, and then the county's tail added 38 useful runs for the last three wickets on a tricky pitch, the innings closing for 224.

Vivian Smith came out with the splendid figures of seven for 60, having bowled his leg-breaks with accuracy and lighted the ball well.

When the South Africans batted, they were always struggling for runs, and it was only the seventh wicket partnership which really put them anywhere near the Derbyshire top.

The pace-bowlers Pope and Copson both moved the ball fiercely through the air and brought it from the pitch at varying heights.

The first four South African wickets fell for only 63 runs, and six were down for 89, but then a partnership of 63 by Fullerton and Mann improved the look of the scoreboard.

Pope has, so far, taken five wickets for 60 runs.

Today's scoreboard at the close of play reads: Derbyshire 224 (Dawson two for 33, Smith seven for 65), South Africa 172 for nine (Mitchell 23, Dawson 30, Fullerton 28, Mann 45). —Reuters.

COUNTY MATCHES
London, July 17.
The close of play scores in first-class cricket matches today were:

WOODCOCK BACK IN THE RING

Doncaster, July 18.
British heavyweight champion Bruce Woodcock returned to the ring on Wednesday for the first time since his jaw was broken in his defeat by American Joe Baksi last April.

He tested himself thoroughly in a sparring bout with Tom Redington, another British heavyweight. Reporting that his chin felt fine, Woodcock added: "I think there is something in what the doctor said about the matter. I feel stronger than before it was broken."

—Associated Press.

Patonson's Title
Paterson, New Jersey, July 17.
Mr. A. Green, President of the National Boxing Association, announced that Patonson's title (Continued on Page 4)



Women BEAUTY-ARTS

By LOIS LEEDS



Posed for Lois Leeds.

Look pretty even when strolling in the country, says Lois Leeds.

STAR SHINE!

Veronica Lake keeps up her Star Shine even when strolling in the country. A pastel coat, with a hood, makes her look pretty and just such an outfit would look pretty on YOU, too!

Style Note: Because the faked so beautiful, ever-body noticed Dorothy Lamour at the opening of the Ball. She wore a sheath-like dress in pastel yellow crepe, designed with a high, boat-shaped neckline, long, tight sleeves and a wide gossamer cummerbund. Her hair was a halo of matching yellow roses, swathed in lime silk tulle. The dress and hat were complemented by a dark mink stole and Brown suede pumps and bag. Dorothy's only piece of jewellery was an artfully designed clip worn at her shoulder.

Jane Bennett, dressed in a shimmering blue dress, a sheer wool suit, the shade of café-au-lait. Her tailored suit featured a collarless V-neckline, pencil-slim skirt, trimmed with large Gold buttons down the front of the jacket. With this

she wore a wide, cream-coloured felt belt, pushed softly to one side and folded over a Gold kid rose. Brown alligator accessories completed her costume.

Mascara, which is so flattering for evening wear, is probably the cosmetic most difficult to apply correctly. Jane Barker, Warner Bros. star has long, curly lashes but being blonde, she finds it necessary to wear a light mascara for after-dark glamour. Jane says that the most important rule in the correct application of mascara is to have a really clean brush and a smooth coat of mascara. She uses skin lotion to moisten the brush. Then, after applying a small amount of the mascara to the brush, she holds it close to her lids and flicks her eyelashes up and down rapidly against the brush. Jane says, "It makes you feel like a blinking rabbit but it makes the mascara so smooth and natural that there is never any of that artificial, ugly 'beading'."

Mime Makeup by GABRIELLE



Are your lips too thin for that lovely look? You can quickly make them look fuller. Carefully enlarge the curve of your upper lip. Then, inside this line, use your lipstick generously, applying it over the entire upper lip. Now press your lips together. This transfers the lipstick to the lower lip. Now apply the lipstick generously to the lower lip. Wait just one minute, then press gently on a folded tissue between the lips. Result—Lovely Lips!

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"You're right—thoughtless husbands ruin many marriages! And that reminds me I must order flowers for our golden wedding anniversary, because I know Henry will forget!"

DWINDLING CATCH SUGGESTS WHALE FACES EXTINCTION

By DAN L. THRAPP
United Press Staff Correspondent

The savagery which marked man's assault on the wild life of the American great plains and the African veldt is being repeated in the slaughter of animals of the ocean. Scientists and marine experts warn that economic extinction of many valuable forms of life may be imminent.

Last season's whale catch in the Antarctic, last stronghold of the world's largest mammals, was less than it should have been after a seven-year respite. Hunting lagged during the war when men were busy killing men instead of other animals.

MEET PEARLY GATES

The Alabama Department of Industrial Relations turns up some fancy names.

It lists such ones as Pearly Gates, First of September, and his brother, First of August.

There are also Dixie Cola, Square Bell, General Davis, President Dickinson, Apt Greene, Effort Hicks, Ima Hogg, Stonewall Jackson and Early Jones.

In Bessemer, Main Line Harris is a truck driver.

Accent On Youth

"BOY MAYOR" IS INDUCTED

Probably the youngest mayor in the United States was inducted in Kent, Washington, a town of 3,400 population, when 23-year-old Dave Mooney, ex-army corporal, took office.

In a campaign promising aggressive leadership and a "change" in city management, Mayor Mooney defeated his nearest rival by a substantial margin.

Chief interest for the "boy mayor" in his new capacity will be the problem of juvenile delinquency. Mooney has worked with youngsters steadily since graduation from high school in 1941, trying to keep them out of trouble.

"Now I'll be able to do something about it officially," Mooney said.

Seven playgrounds will be operated by the Kent Co-ordinating Council next summer, Mooney said. Plans are under way for the construction of a \$100,000 community centre as a "living war memorial."

Oddly enough, the day Mayor Mooney took office happened to be the traditional day for high school students to take over city hall reins. Hardly had Mooney taken the chair when he had to turn over the office to 17-year-old Glenn Armstrong. But 24 hours later authority was once more in the hands of the "elder" chief.

Not Full-time Job

Mooney was born in Kent in 1923 and lived there all his life until entering the army in 1943. After 14 months' service, he spent one year as a patrolman for the Washington state patrol.

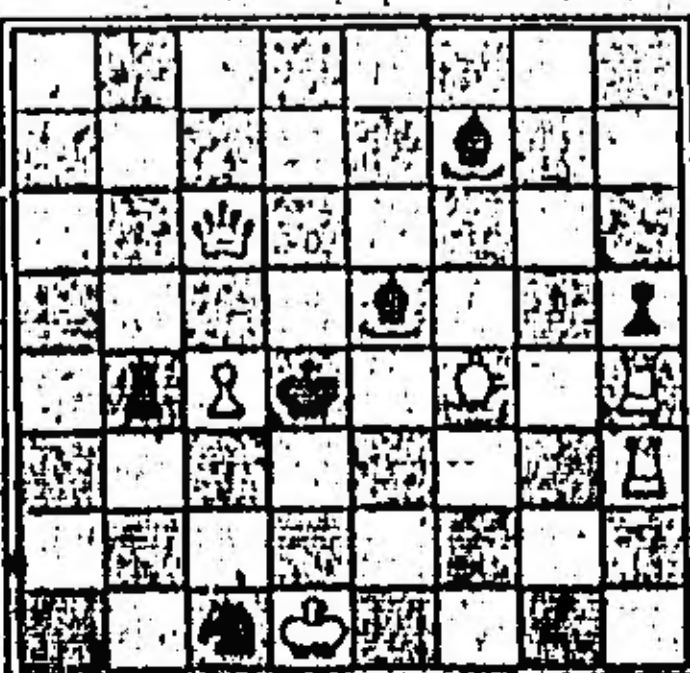
Since being a mayor is not a full-time job in Kent, Mooney expects to continue operation of his sand-and-gravel hauling business, and his duties as a volunteer fireman.

Kent citizens are justly proud of their young mayor, and, as shown by the full confidence election vote, are ready to stand back of him in his new responsibilities.

Still single, Mayor Mooney is said to be one of the most eligible bachelors in Kent. In this connection, Mooney said, "I'm not ready to settle down yet; I've got too much to do."

CHESS PROBLEM

By A. K. ELWORTHY
Black, 6 pieces.



White, 0 pieces.
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Churchill Back In Parliament

London, July 17. Loud cheers from all parts of the House of Commons greeted Mr Winston Churchill, leader of the Opposition, when he made his first appearance in the Chamber today since his recent operation. He was looking very well.

Welcoming Mr Churchill's return, Mr Herbert Morrison, Lord President of the Council, who was speaking at the time, said that Mr Churchill has made a remarkable recovery, and, amid laughter, added: "All the signs are that we shall have trouble with him."—Reuter.

BEVIN AND SFORZA CONFER

London, July 17. An informed source said today that the British Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, in his talk with the Italian Foreign Minister, Count Carlo Sforza, last Monday in Paris expressed Britain's desire to see Italy fully integrated into European post-war reconstruction work.

Mr Bevin and Count Sforza, the source said, discussed Italy's participation in the Marshall Plan, facilitated by Italy's inclusion in the vital Executive Committee of Co-operation of the European Community.

The Bevin-Sforza talk is considered a promising prelude of the long-overdue London visit of the Italian Foreign Minister, which is expected to take place after the Paris Conference.—United Press.

MINISTERIAL CHANGES

London, July 17. The British Government will announce—probably before the date of the power transfer to India and Pakistan, August 15—the ministerial changes rendered necessary by the creation of the two new Dominions.

These changes, an authoritative source tonight confirms, will be under Secretary of State for India, Mr Arthur Henderson, becoming Minister of State to act as a special line between Britain and India and Pakistan.

Mr Henderson's portfolio will also enable him to be the House of Commons liaison between Britain and Burma, with Lord Listowel, now Secretary of State for India and Burma, acting as Secretary of State for Burma alone during the interim period.

The Commonwealth Relations Secretary, Lord Addison, will be in overall charge of Dominion relations, and Mr Henderson will be associated with him in that office, with Mr Arthur Bottomley continuing to act as Commonwealth Relations Under-Secretary.—Reuter.

Police & Strike Pickets Clash

New York, July 17. Strike pickets were arrested after a clash with the police here today, when the Finance Employers' Guild, a Congress of Industrial Organizations union began a city-wide strike against the Brooklyn Trust Company and its 24 branches.

It was the first strike against a major bank in the United States, the Union said.

The clash occurred outside the Bank's central office, where 150 Union members tried to demonstrate after the police had told Union officials that there must be no mass picketing. Three men were arrested.

The Union claimed that "nearly all" of the Brooklyn Trust Company's 700 employees had gone on strike. They were seeking the reinstatement of three discharged employees, security of employment, and wage increases.—Reuter.

NOTICE

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GERMANY:

New Directive To U.S. Zone Commander

BY JOHN HIGHTOWER

Washington, July 18. In its role as one of Germany's rulers, the United States of America probably soon will begin working with the Marshall Plan committees to chart the economic recovery of Europe. General Lucius B. Clay, American Commander in Germany, is understood to have received instructions to co-operate with the Paris groups to the fullest extent necessary to fit the American zone into the proposed new European economic order.

This may require General Clay to assign officials to Paris to supply information on Germany's coal production prospects, industrial outlook, trade possibilities and food needs. But any action that he takes, authorities here said, will await some invitation from the Paris organization itself.

Wants Ruhr Coal Talks Broadened

Washington, July 17. The British Embassy in Washington delivered a formal note to the State Department tonight, suggesting that the coming Washington conference on Ruhr coal production be broadened to include discussion of all major problems in the Anglo-American Zones.

The British note further urged that if the United States was not inclined to agree to this suggestion, the idea of the Washington meeting should be scrapped and replaced by coal talks in Berlin.

Immediate State Department reaction was unavailable, but earlier today a State Department spokesman held that the meeting, due to start here sometime late next week, should be on Ruhr coal and Ruhr coal alone.

Favourable reception to the British suggestion would therefore appear uncertain.—Reuter.

Other Problems. London, July 17. The British Government has not yet accepted the United States invitation for Anglo-American talks in Washington on Ruhr coal production. A Foreign Office spokesman declared today.

The British acceptance has been delayed because it has been felt in London that the scope of the talks should be broadened to take in other German economic problems in addition to the Ruhr coal. There was no official indication today what further subjects Britain wished to come under discussion in Washington.

It was, however, assumed that a new problem has been created by the need to relate the possible contribution and requirements of German economy to the wider scope of European planning now being undertaken by the Paris and Washington on the Ruhr and coal production under the Marshall plan.

The British attitude is that if discussions are to be confined to the Ruhr then they could as well be held in Berlin as in Washington. Meanwhile, exchanges are continuing between London and Washington on the agenda and scope of the proposed talks. Their outcome will presumably decide whether the talks are after all to be held in Washington, or are to be transferred to Berlin.

A further factor, as British and American spokesmen have recently pointed out, is that the problem of increasing Ruhr coal production is clearly linked with the problem of securing food supplies for the Anglo-American zones of Germany, and it would be unrealistic to consider one in isolation from the other.—Reuter.

REPARATIONS

Brussels, July 17. The Inter-Allied Reparations Agency announced today that 18 member governments from February 1946 to June 30, 1947, had received from Germany in reparations 202 merchant ships, representing 750,000 gross tons.—United Press.

IMMIGRANT SHIP UNDER ESCORT

Jerusalem, July 17. A British cruiser and five destroyers were tonight escorting the Jewish illegal immigrant ship President Garfield, which is carrying 4,554 passengers, a authoritative Jewish sources said here tonight.

The ship, which is reported to be nearing the Palestine coast, is said to be sponsored by the Jewish illegal defence force, Hagannah.—Reuter.

New U.S. Minister To Sweden

Washington, July 17. President Truman today nominated Mr H. Freeman Matthews as Minister to Sweden.

Mr Matthews has been holding the post of Director of the State Department's office of European affairs. The nomination must be confirmed by the Senate.—Reuter.

"Evita" Leaves Rome

Rome, July 17. Scudora Eva Peron left Ciampino airport in a four-motored plane for Lisbon today.—United Press.

The broad framework for American collaboration in the European recovery programme is set forth in the new policy directive just sent to General Clay. This disclosed a drastic change in the direction of American policy in Germany from the time the first directive was issued shortly after V-J Day in May 1945.

At that time the whole emphasis was on the de-nazification and demilitarization of Germany and a series of steps which would render that nation incapable of making war again.

That order also stated that the standard of living of the Germans was not to exceed that of their neighbours and that industrial production was to be strictly limited.

Stable Germany

The new directive declares: "An orderly and prosperous Europe requires the economic contribution of a stable and productive Germany as well as the necessary restraints to insure that Germany is not allowed to acquire its destructive militarism."

The order advises General Clay that Germany can be kept under control by means of the proposed four-power disarmament treaty, which the USSR incidentally has consistently refused to accept in the manner the United States advocates—and by prolonged Allied occupation.

But it makes clear that General Clay's main task now is to bring about a condition of economic recovery in Germany which will make the western occupation zones self-supporting and capable of contributing to an improved standard of living for all the continent.

The US State Department stressed that the new directive provides for measures "which will enable Germany to make a maximum contribution to European economic recovery."

Actually, officials said General Clay already has received instructions to co-operate with the rest of the Continent whenever an appropriate occasion opened up.

U.S. Attitude

In the initial stage of the Paris conference, the United States maintained an attitude of complete aloofness. This, when it was General Clay accepts an invitation to fill Western Germany's economy into that of Europe, American officials will for the first time take a direct, though still strictly limited, part in the work in Paris.

Secretary of State George C. Marshall is known to be very reluctant to take any measure which might lay the United States open to Russian propaganda charges of dictating to the Continent. But in his initial proposal for a joint European recovery programme, Gen. Marshall declared the American Government's willingness to provide "friendly aid" whenever a suitable occasion arises.

European leaders are understood to have inquired what Gen. Marshall meant by "friendly aid." While he has not clarified that point yet, there is a growing belief at the U.S. State Department that he will have to do so before work at Paris is finished.—Associated Press.

PATERSON'S TITLE

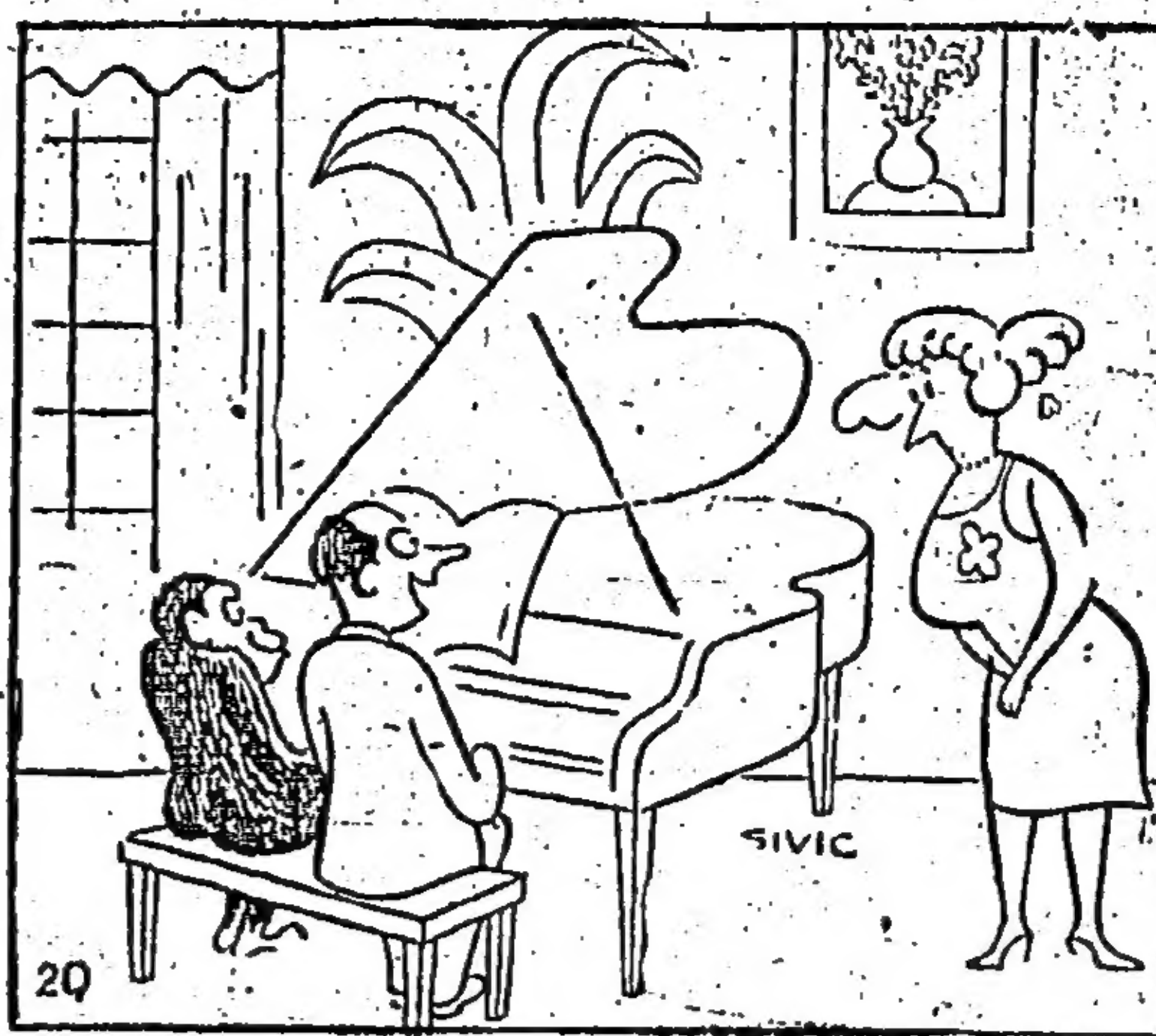
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nounced today that the Association is prepared to declare the flyweight title vacant because of the failure of the champion, Jackie Paterson, to make the weight last night when he should have met Dado Marino for the title.

Mr Green said that they would await some decision from the British Boxing Board Control as to what steps should be taken to determine Paterson's successor.

He indicated that they would favourably consider a title bout between the two logical contenders, Marino and Ricky Monaghan, the Irishman whom Marino fought at catchweights last night.

Mr Green added: "It is obvious that to subject Paterson to any further weight-making processes would be to menace his health, and reduce a fully-fledged bantam-weight to a flyweight. Under the circumstances, I feel if Paterson does not forthrightly renounce ownership of the flyweight title, the boxing authorities will have no alternative but to make a decision for him."—Reuter.



"Would you like to hear something really unusual in an arrangement for four hands."

Japan Peace Talks Date Australia Also Opposes

London, July 17. Australia today followed Britain in opposing the date proposed by the United States for the eleven member nations of the Far Eastern Commission to meet in Washington on August 19 to discuss a peace treaty for Japan.

Mr Joseph Chifley, Federal Premier, said that although Australia was always prepared to take part in any discussions that would speed up the Pacific peace settlement, August 19 was "entirely unsuitable" because of the British Commonwealth conference set for Canberra on August 26. Australia, it is learned, would be unable to take part in discussions then.

PREGNANCY FILM MAKES MEN SWOON

London, July 18.

The facts of life were proving too strong for London cinema-goers on Thursday. Six times the revived American film, "The Birth of a Baby," was shown at a West End theatre, and six times some members of the audience needed reviving themselves. They fainted—four persons at one performance, eight at another, six at a third.

"It's been like this ever since the film opened," said a perspiring usher. "Forty a day keel over sometimes. I don't know why, nothing in the film shocks me. I just have to keep carrying the swooners out."

Seven out of 10 who fainted were men, many of them rugged types. Yesterday's casualties included a bank manager, the father of two children, a Scots Guardsman with service ribbons from Germany and Italy and a blushing recent bridegroom.

"It was nothing but the heat," the newlywed protested. "I am going back to see the rest of it." Some of the fainted all the fainting on the fact that "The Birth of a Baby"—a pre-war picture showing what happens from the first week of pregnancy until the child is delivered—is being exhibited for the first time in London, to mixed audiences.

Restrained And Valuable. "It's embarrassing, that's why people faint," said a milwife as she left the theatre and bustled her way through the queue for the next performance.

But most critics and most ordinary customers found the picture both restrained and valuable.

Fourteen-year-old Lillian Salmons, taken by her mother to see it, commented: "I thought it explained everything very well. I want to be a doctor when I'm older."

A grey-faced man looked at her witheringly. He had just been pined with smelling salts by the nurse on duty at all showings.—Associated Press.

Eating Interfered With Thinking. Blackpool, July 17. An inquest ruled yesterday that Peter Garside, 27-year-old student, starved himself to death, allegedly, "to keep his mind clear" for studies.

Witnesses said Garside believed eating interfered with thinking.—United Press.

Trade Agreement

London, July 17. Hungary and the Soviet Union have concluded a trade agreement, Moscow Radio announced tonight.

The turnover during the next 12 months was stipulated at \$2,500,000, the broadcast added.—Reuter.

TO-DAY'S BROADCAST

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UNECAFE DECIDES TO MEET IN PHILIPPINES

Lake Success, July 17. The United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East completed its current session today, and decided to hold the next session in November in the Philippine Islands.

N. ZEALAND CROWDS MOB MONTY

Wellington, July 17. Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, keeping up the tempo of his Australian tour, swept through Wellington today, and on one occasion was almost mobbed by an enthusiastic crowd.

Early this morning the Chief of the Imperial General Staff was greeted by two new battalions which he said "will last me until I return". Later in the morning he placed a wreath on the War Memorial, conferred with the Prime Minister, Mr Peter Fraser, and the Cabinet, gave a press conference and attended a state luncheon.

It was after he placed the wreath on the War Memorial that the crowd swept away the police cordon and surrounded Monty, cutting him off from the official party. He appeared delighted as he edged toward his car smothered in confetti.

At his press conference, he sidestepped questions concerning New Zealand's defence and repeated the comment he had made in Australia: "I see no reason to think the little bits of trouble today will end in war."—Associated Press.

GANDHI APPEALS TO S. AFRICA

New Delhi, July 17. Mohandas K. Gandhi tonight urged other Indian leaders and the Viceroy to appeal for stoppage of "Goon dalm" (hooliganism) against Indians in South Africa.

Mr Gandhi said the appeal should be directed to the "South African" Premier, Marshal Jan Christian Smuts. He said if Marshal Smuts, "who professes to be my friend," was unable to control South African Europeans, he should resign.

In his post-prayer address, Mr Gandhi also advised Indian inhabitants of South Africa to "behave well."—United Press.

Although India was nominated as the venue of the next session of the UNECAF, the Commission eventually decided on the Philippine Islands.

During the debate, M. Pavel Chernyshev, the Russian delegate, nominated India, and said: "We should take into account the great country of India, which also took part in the war with all its resources and manpower, and made its contribution to the common victory."

He pointed out that India's position was very central on the Asiatic continent, and said: "We should take into account the great country of India, which also took part in the war with all its resources and manpower, and made its contribution to the common victory."

He said that he did not want to oppose the session being held in the Philippines if the majority wished, but he wanted to point out India's claims.

The Commission decided to forward New Zealand's membership application to the Economic and Social Council.

By eight vote to one, the British resolution, as amended by the United States, on the admission as associate members of the non self-governing territories, was approved. Russia opposed the resolution, and the Indian delegate, Mr R. K. Nehru, was absent.—Reuter.

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